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Patrick Banda, a farmer advisor from Manjanja village, checks on his tomatoes in a seedling shelter near Chipata, Zambia. He grows tomatoes in the shelter before planting them in the field to regulate temperature, protect the plants from excessive rain and sunlight, and also protect them from animals and diseases. Banda can monitor the seedlings easily since they are only a few paces outside of his village. Banda also uses certified seeds, which allow him to use a smaller space to produce a higher yield. With the extra income, Banda is able to put his daughter, Josephine, into one of the best schools in Chipata, Zambia and purchased a plot of land to build a house. *Photo by Greg Kahn for USAID*



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